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details of family descent, they contain much that is of value to the student of history proper. Keith's "Ancestry of Benjamin Harrison," Brown's "Cabells and their Kin," Montague's "Montague Family," and Dr. Lee's "Lee of Virginia," are works of very great merit. Charts like that under review, though in a much less ambitious form, subserve a very useful purpose. We trust the example set by Miss Walker, a descendant of Rev. Robert Rose, in securing the preparation of the Rose chart, will be imitated by others who are sprung from ancestry of equal distinction, and, therefore, of general public interest.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, or the Life and Times of the Rev. Walter Dulaney Addison. By his grand-daughter, Elizabeth Hesselius Murray. Philadelphia, Pa. George W. Jacobs & Co., 1895.

In her graceful preface, Miss Murray speaks of her book as "perhaps not even a book, but simply a bundle of relics of another age that I have bound together with the slenderest of threads." Whether a bundle of relics or not, the accomplished authoress has succeeded in presenting a picture of the olden times in Maryland of absorbing interest. Indeed, we know of hardly another equal to it. That early life in the Province, whether at Annapolis or on the plantation, appears again as in a vista, with all its beauty and quaintness brought out in the clearest detail. Was there ever such a life elsewhere with its constant association with Nature and at the same time with a society of great refinement? In Colonial Virginia alone was its counterpart to be found. It is such books as Miss Murray's that explain to us the influences moulding the character of the rural gentry which, in the Colonial age, dwelt in Maryland and Virginia. Love of family, love of home, love of country—we see how all of these instincts, inherited from English forefathers, were fostered and strengthened by the Colonial hearth-stone. What brave men, what beautiful women were nourished under those ancient roof trees! What a charming hospitality was seen there; how spontaneous the gayety! It was as if the freshness of the green fields and forests were ever renewing the hearts of the people. The value of Miss Murray's book is not confined to a social point of view. It throws much light on the political feeling at the opening of the Revolution and also on the condition of the Church, although it is primarily the history of one distinguished family. To the general reader as well as to the special student we can heartily recommend it.

FIFTY YEARS A PASTOR. An account of the observance of the Semi-Centennial Anniversary of the Installation of Rev. Moses Drury Hoge, D. D., LL. D., in the Pastorate of the Second Presbyterian Church, Richmond, Va. Richmond, Va., 1895.

This little book was published as a souvenir of the semi-centennial celebration of Dr. Hoge's pastorate, and also as a compendium of facts